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PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 5,573,271

RELEVANCE

Discloses a side impact air bag inflator.

U.S. Patent No. 5,603,525

Discloses an air bag inflator initiator housing with stored fluid pressure relief.

OTHER

Co-pending U.S. Patent Appln. Serial No. 09/057,814, filed April 9, 1998 entitled "Vehicle Occupant Protection Apparatus".

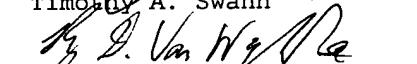
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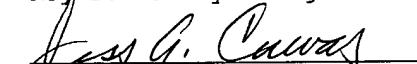
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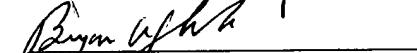
  
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